23rd ENGINEER BATTALION

"Spearhead Sappers"

"Ready Sappers"

1941 to 1991

1992 to 1997

BATTALION HISTORY

The unit was constituted in the National Army on 15 August 1917 as the 23rd Engineer (Road) and was organized on 5 September 1917 at Camp Meade, Maryland. Following service in WWI the unit was demobilized only to be activated and redesignated the 23rd Engineer Battalion on 15 April 1941 at Camp Beauregard, Louisiana as an element of 3rd AD. Inactivated following WWII, the unit was again activated on 15 July 1947 at Fort Knox, Kentucky. On 15 August 1992 the unit was reassigned to 1st AD following the Gulf War and was inactivated on 15 February 1997 in the Federal Republic of Germany following service in the Balkans.

CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION

World War I

St. Mihiel
Meuse-Argonne
Lorraine 1918

World War II

Normandy
Northern France
Rhineland
Ardennes-Alsace
Central Europe

Southwest Asia

Defense of Saudi Arabia
Liberation and Defense of Kuwait
Cease-Fire

BATTALION CREST

The red background represents the colors of the Corps of Engineers. The white rock is borrowed from the arms of St. Mihiel and the green oak tree is emblematic of the Meuse-Argonne campaign. The silver shield represents

NOUS SERVIRONS de NOUVEAU (We will serve again)